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Central Indiana Regional Bikeways Plan



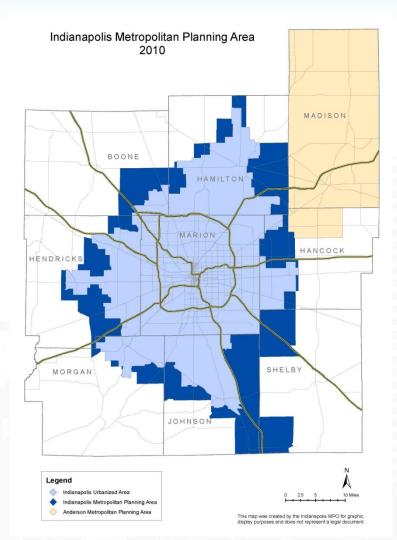


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#### **IMPO & IRTC**

The Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization (IMPO) is the entity responsible for transportation planning within the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Area.

The Indianapolis Regional Transportation Council (IRTC) is the policy body of the MPO.





# The Big Picture

Establish our region's priorities

Develop a plan for investment through 2035

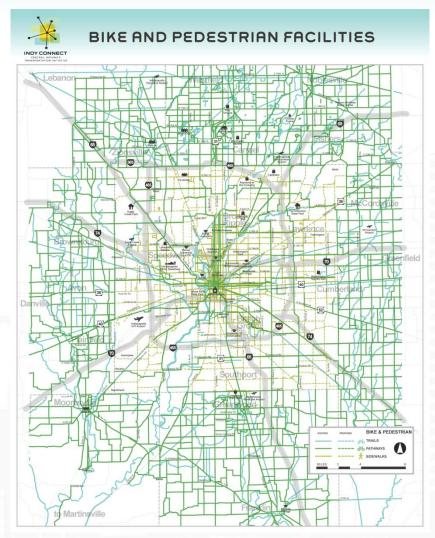




#### **Need for Priorities**

There are 4,400 miles of planned bicycle facilities in Central Indiana.

An initial estimate indicates enough funding to complete roughly 4% of the proposed bicycle facilities (in miles) over the next 25 years.





#### **Goals and Vision**

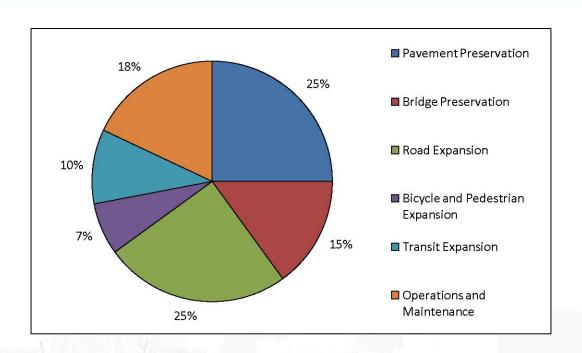
Plan upholds the goals of the adopted 2035 Long Range Transportation plan and has to bicycle specific goals.

Increasing the number of people riding a bike for all trip purposes

Increasing the safety of bicycle riders throughout the region



# **Bikeways Funding**



The IRTC has established a seven percent funding target for bicycle and pedestrian facilities over the life of the 25-year regional transportation plan.



# **Project Scoring**

Project scores will be developed from an analysis of the area within ½ mile of each bikeway project.

Population

**Employment** 

High Health Risk Populations

**Access to Transit** 

Connection of Existing Segments

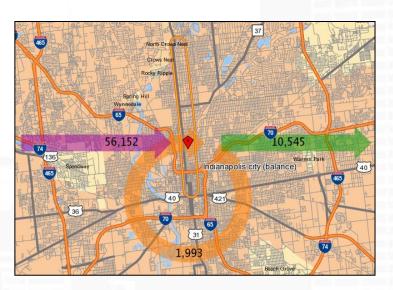
Access to public amenities:

**Parks** 

**Schools** 

Hospitals

Places of Worship





### **Project Programming**

2011 - 2015 2016 - 2025 2026 - 2035

Projects will be placed into one of three time periods based on their scores with the highest scoring projects appearing first. Projects that are already funded will not need to undergo project scoring to be included in the Plan.

#### What it means

We are going to create a plan that lays out our top priorities in bicycling infrastructure so that over by 2035 we have a regional system that is:

Connected
Convenient
Safe



# **Bikeway Types**

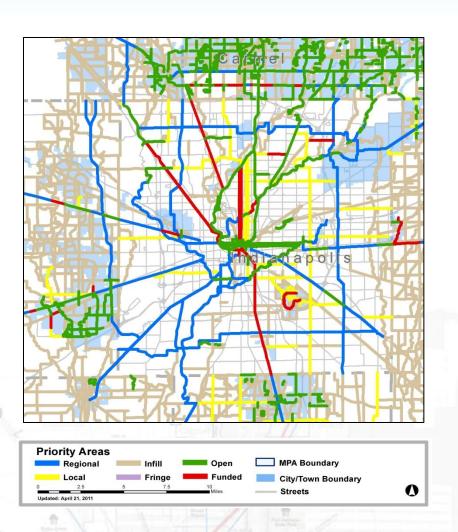
Side Paths











Projects with identified funding sources are shown in Red.

Generally, they are expected to be completed within the next five years, although many will be completed in the next two.



#### **Indianapolis Cultural Trail**



#### **Completed Corridors**

East Corridor Alabama Street . Completed June 2008.

Northeast Corridor North Street, New Jersey Street, Walnut Street, College Avenue and Massachusetts Avenue to 10th Street (connecting to the Monon Trail). Completed November 2010.

North Corridor St. Clair Street, part of The Canal (between St. Clair and Walnut streets), Walnut Street, Meridian Street, American Legion Mall and North Street. Completed June 2010.

#### **Remaining Construction:**

**Capitol & Alabama Corridor** Capitol Avenue from Washington Street to South Street + Alabama St. from Market St. to Washington St.

**Southeast Corridor** Alabama Street, Washington Street, Pennsylvania Street, and Virginia Avenue

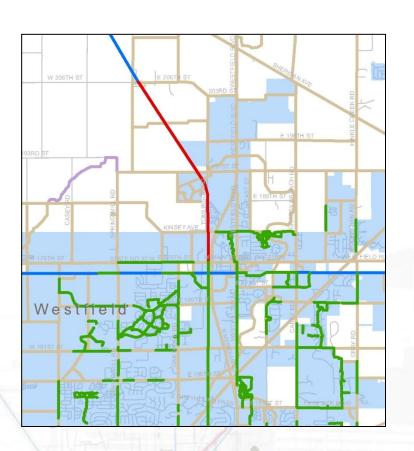
West Corridor The Canal, Indiana Avenue, Blackford Street, Washington Street and West Street

**Central Corridor** Market Street, Monument Circle, Illinois Street, Washington Street, Senate Avenue and Government Place

The entire eight-miles, including landscaping, are scheduled to be completed by the end of 2012.



#### **Monon Trail**



Approximately 3.3 miles of the **Monon Trail** will be constructed in several phases between State Road 32 and 206<sup>th</sup> Street.

Trails are completely separated from vehicle traffic and generally run outside of a street right-of-way. Many Trails, like the Monon, follow corridors that were previously used for rail. It is also common for trails to follow rivers and other water features.



Two segments of the **B&O Trail** have been completed and just opened this spring between Raceway Road and State Road 267. The segments combine for 3.5 miles of asphalt trail. Land has not been acquired for the gap between the two segments.

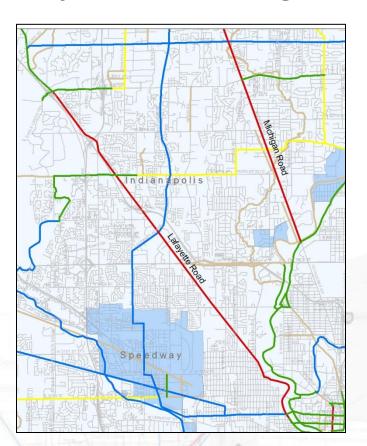
The segment shown in red indicates a one mile extension of the B&O Trail west of State Road 267 that is expected to be built in 2014.

#### **B & O Trail**





#### Lafayette Rd & Michigan Rd



Michigan Road- An asphalt side path is being constructed along the west side of the road from 86<sup>th</sup> Street to Cold Springs Road. Construction began last year and will be completed this summer.

Lafayette Road- Bike lanes will be striped with thermoplastic and areas of potential conflict with vehicles will be painted green. Bids were received in late April and construction should be completed by late November.

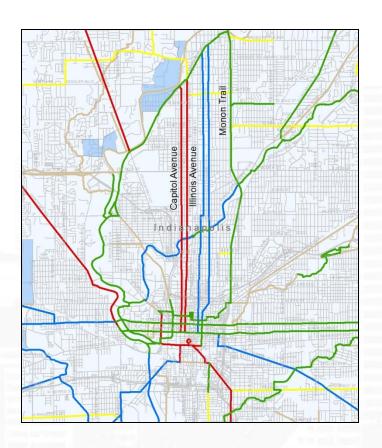


Capitol and Illinois are a one-way pair that will have bike lanes linking downtown Indianapolis and Broad Ripple via the Canal Towpath.

They are partially complete and work will resume in early 2011 as weather permits. Together they will provide nearly 12 miles of bike lanes.

Bike Lanes are generally 4 to 5 feet wide and adjacent to motor vehicle lanes in a street. They are typically separated from traffic with a 4 inch wide strip.

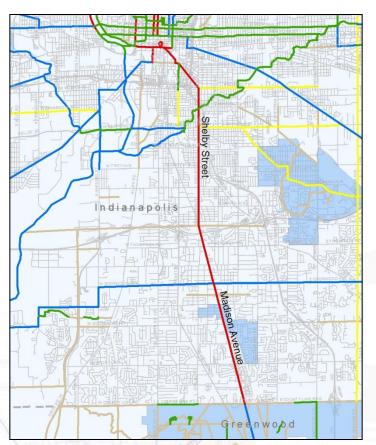
#### **Capitol and Illinois Bike Lanes**





# **Funded Projects**

#### **Shelby & Madison Bike Lanes**



Shelby and Madison will have bike lanes installed during 2011. They will provide an eight-mile link between downtown Indianapolis and Johnson County. The northern end of the Shelby Street bike lanes connect to the Cultural Trail at Virginia Avenue via a cycle track.

A cycle track is an exclusive bicycle facility separated from both vehicular and pedestrian travel. It generally allows commuters to travel at greater speeds, with added safety.

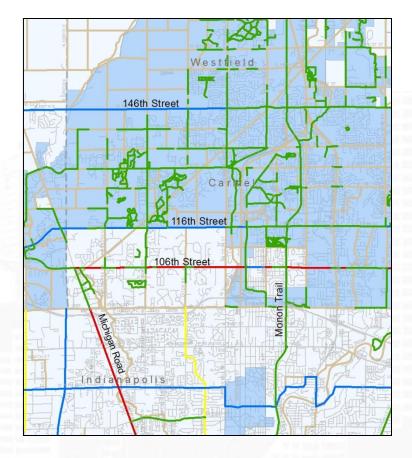


**106**<sup>th</sup> **Street** is the focus of a combined effort by Carmel and Fishers to create a 14.6 mile cross-county bike facility. There is not a bridge across the White River at 106<sup>th</sup> Street and a solution is being worked on jointly.

In Carmel the facility is being developed as an asphalt side path and funding has been identified for most of the segments to be completed over the next few years.

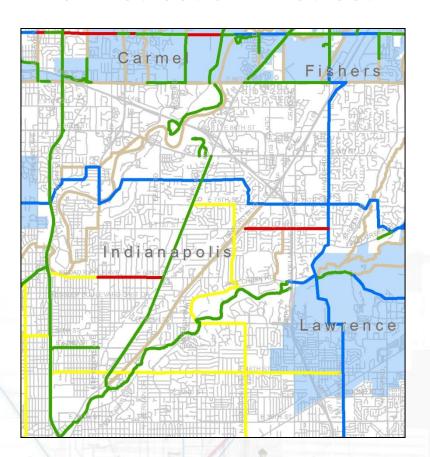
In Fishers approximately 2.7 miles have been completed as collector sidewalks for cycling and pedestrian use.

#### 106th Street





#### 62<sup>nd</sup> Street & 71<sup>st</sup> Street



These two segments will have 10-foot wide asphalt side paths installed. Side paths are separated from the road and generally run were a sidewalk would be located.

**62**<sup>nd</sup> **Street** between Keystone Avenue and Allisonville Road.

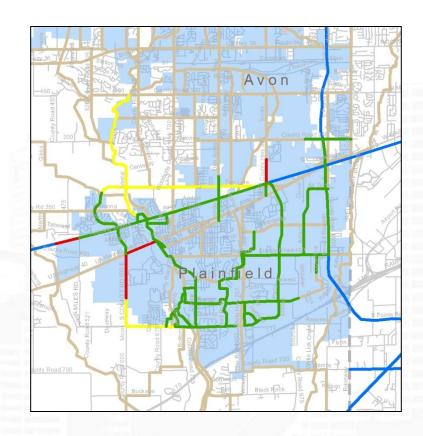
**71**<sup>st</sup> **Street** between Lakeknoll Drive and Hague Road.



Plainfield has indicated that they will be pursuing construction of an extension of the **Vandalia Trail** to the western town boundary and also side paths along the segments of US 40 and Moon Road that are shown in Red.

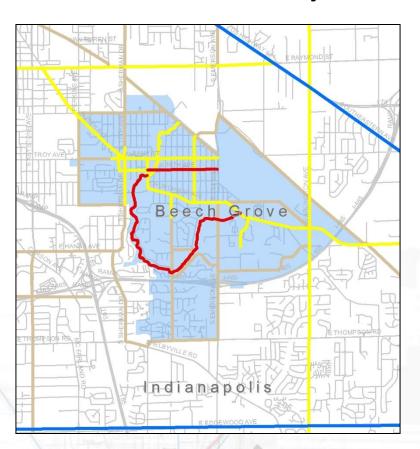
A side path will also be constructed along a portion of Smith Road / County Highway 900.

#### **Vandalia Trail & Side Paths**





#### **Beech Grove Greenway & Main Street**



Bike lanes will be installed along **Main Street** between Churchman Avenue
and Emerson Avenue.

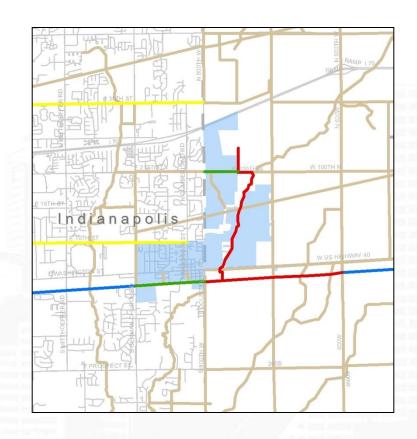
A **Greenway** beginning at Sara Bolton Park will follow Lick Creek and Beech Creek to connect the Beech Grove parks.



The **Pennsy Trail** will be extended approximately two miles east of the Hancock County Line.

The **Buck Creek Trail** will connect to the Pennsy Trail and run north to CR 100 N (21<sup>st</sup> Street in Indianapolis). It will continue as a side path west up to and along Buck Creek Road. The Trail will be 2.3 miles in length.

#### **Pennsy & Buck Creek Trails**





### How can you help?



Tell the steering committee what you think!

Provide your comments and opinions through a survey that can be completed online at <a href="https://www.indyconnect.org">www.indyconnect.org</a>

The steering committee is a diverse group of 34 made up of people from various levels of government and private sector groups.



### **Next Steps**

Gather Public Input

Steering Committee develops priorities

Project scoring and selection for the plan



### **Project Timeline**

- July- provide a draft of the plan for the steering committee
- August- provide the draft to the IRTC for comment
- October- make the draft available for public comment
- November- request formal adoption by the IRTC





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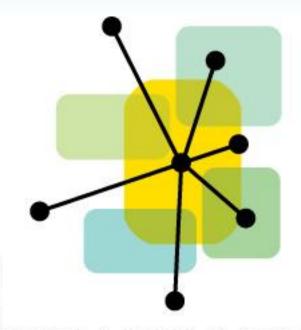
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